



The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

March 22, 2016

NH Dept. of Transportation
c/o Matt Urban
PO Box 483
Concord, NH 03302

RE: NH Dept. of Transportation - File # 2016-00201 - Charlestown

Tax Map/Lot #: Right-of-Way

Dear Mr. Urban

Attached please find Wetlands Permit # 2016-00201 to temporarily impact 1,040 sq. ft. within the bank for access to apply a concrete spall / patch over the easterly bridge abutment. **NHDOT Project #29801**

The decision to approve this application was based on the following findings:

1. This is a major impact project per Administrative Rule Env-Wt 303.02(p), a replacement of a stream crossing structure in a tier 3 stream.
2. The need for the proposed impacts has been demonstrated by the applicant per Env-Wt 302.01.
3. The applicant has provided evidence which demonstrates that this proposal is the alternative with the least adverse impact to areas and environments under the department's jurisdiction per Env-Wt 302.03.
4. The applicant has demonstrated by plan and example that each factor listed in Env-Wt 302.04(a) Requirements for Application Evaluation, has been considered in the design of the project.
5. The project does not require mitigation as this meets rule Env-Wt 302.03(d) where there will be no impacts remaining after the project is completed.
6. The NH Natural Heritage Bureau indicates that records were found in the project area. None of the species are expected to be impacts by the project as there is no work in the water.
7. The Local River Advisory Comm. questioned if erosion repairs were needed as part of the overall project.
8. The DES has no further information regarding erosion issues within jurisdiction.
9. In accordance with RSA 482-A:8, DES finds that the requirements for a public hearing do not apply as the permitted project is not of substantial public interest, and will not have a significant impact on or adversely affect the values of the riverine resource, as identified under RSA 482-A:1.

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Any person aggrieved by this decision may appeal to the N.H. Wetlands Council ("Council") by filing an appeal that meets the requirements specified in RSA 482-A:10, RSA 21-O:14, and the rules adopted by the Council, Env-WtC 100-200. The appeal must be filed **directly with the Council within 30 days** of the date of this decision and must set forth fully **every ground** upon which it is claimed that the decision complained of is unlawful or unreasonable. Only those grounds set forth in the notice of appeal can be considered by the Council.

Information about the Council, including a link to the Council's rules, is available at <http://nhec.nh.gov/> (or more directly at <http://nhec.nh.gov/wetlands/index.htm>.) Copies of the rules also are available from the DES Public Information Center at (603) 271-2975.

Your permit must be signed, and a copy must be posted in a prominent location on site during construction.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (603) 271-2147.

Sincerely,



Gino E. Infascelli
DES Wetlands Bureau

cc: Charlestown Conservation Commission
Charlestown Municipal Clerk



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WETLANDS AND NON-SITE SPECIFIC PERMIT 2016-00201

Permittee: NH Dept. of Transportation
PO Box 483
Concord, NH 03302
Project Location: NH Route 11, Charlestown
Charlestown Tax Map/Lot No.: Right-of-Way
Waterbody: Connecticut River

**NOTE--
CONDITIONS**

APPROVAL DATE: 03/21/2016

EXPIRATION DATE: 03/21/2021

Based upon review of the above referenced application, in accordance with RSA 482-A and RSA 485-A:17, a Wetlands Permit and Non-Site Specific Permit was issued. This permit shall not be considered valid unless signed as specified below.

PERMIT DESCRIPTION: Temporarily impact 1,040 sq. ft. within the bank for access to apply a concrete spall / patch over the easterly bridge abutment. **NHDOT project #29801**

THIS APPROVAL IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PROJECT SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

1. All work shall be in accordance with plans by NHDOT Bureau of Bridge Design dated April 2015, and December 24, 2015 as received by the Department on January 20, 2015.
2. Construction equipment shall not be located within the bank.
3. Within three days of final grading or temporary suspension of work in an area that is in or adjacent to wetlands or surface waters, all exposed soil areas shall be stabilized by seeding and mulching during the growing season, or if not within the growing season, by mulching with tackifiers on slopes less than 3:1 or netting and pinning on slopes steeper than 3:1.
4. The contractor responsible for completion of the work shall utilize techniques described in the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual, Volume 3, Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction (December 2008).
5. Extreme precautions shall be taken within riparian areas to prevent unnecessary removal of vegetation during construction. Areas cleared of vegetation must be re-vegetated with like native species within three days of the completion of the disturbance.
6. There shall be no further alteration to wetlands or surface waters without amendment of this permit.
7. The impacts associated with the temporary work shall be restored immediately following construction.

GENERAL CONDITIONS THAT APPLY TO ALL DES WETLANDS PERMITS:

1. A copy of this permit shall be posted on site during construction in a prominent location visible to inspecting personnel;

2. This permit does not convey a property right, nor authorize any injury to property of others, nor invasion of rights of others;
3. The Wetlands Bureau shall be notified upon completion of work;
4. This permit does not relieve the applicant from the obligation to obtain other local, state or federal permits, and/or consult with other agencies as may be required (including US EPA, US Army Corps of Engineers, NH Department of Transportation, NH Division of Historical Resources (NH Department of Cultural Resources), NHDES-Alteration of Terrain, etc.);
5. Transfer of this permit to a new owner shall require notification to and approval by DES;
6. This project has been screened for potential impacts to **known** occurrences of rare species and exemplary natural communities in the immediate area. Since many areas have never been surveyed, or have received only cursory inventories, unidentified sensitive species or communities may be present. This permit does not absolve the permittee from due diligence in regard to state, local or federal laws regarding such communities or species.
7. Review enclosed sheet for status of the US Army Corps of Engineers' federal wetlands permit.

APPROVED: 
Gino Infascelli
DES Wetlands Bureau

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BY SIGNING BELOW I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE FULLY READ THIS PERMIT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL PERMIT CONDITIONS.

OWNER'S SIGNATURE (required)

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE (required)